## Department of Public Safety Impact Statements in Response to House Finance Budget Date: April 15, 2003

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The House Finance budget reduces the Department of Public Safety's general fund request by 431,600.

Program:
Amount(s):
Fire Prevention Operations

Call,600

Impact Title: Replace \$231,600 GF with Receipt Supported Services in FY2004

## **Impact Analysis:**

There will be no impact to services in FY2004 provided the statewide construction activity under the jurisdiction of the State Fire Marshal remains at FY2002 levels. This action, however, will directly impact the amount of Receipt Supported Services that the Department of Public Safety will lapse into the General Fund at the end of FY2003 and increase the required draw on the Constitutional Budget Reserve in FY2004.

Receipts are generated through fees for conducting building plan reviews for code compliance. The revenue generation is totally dependent upon the volume of commercial building construction within the jurisdiction of the State Fire Marshal, and the department has been depending on receipts that are carried forward from the prior year. Three factors can adversely affect the amount of revenue to expend in any year:

- 1) Reduction in carry-forward of actual receipts from the prior fiscal year;
- 2) A drop in construction activity under the division's jurisdiction; and
- 3) Deferral of building plan review authority to additional local jurisdictions.

Currently, Ketchikan is considering applying for a deferral. This translates to a loss of \$25,000 to \$50,000 per year in plan review receipts.

It is important to note that this fund source change is only a one-time solution since a similar prior year carry forward will no longer be available in FY05.

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Program: Amount(s): Source(s):
Alaska Criminal Records and (200,000) General Funds
Identification 200,000 Receipt Services

Impact Title: Replace \$200,000 GF with Receipt Supported Services in FY2004

## **Impact Analysis:**

There will be no impact in service in FY2004 if fingerprint background checks activity remains at FY2002 levels. This action, however, will directly impact the amount of Receipt Supported Services that the Department of Public Safety will lapse into the General Fund at the end of FY2003, and increase the required draw on the Constitutional Budget Reserve in FY2004.

Receipts are generated through fees for conducting fingerprint background checks and criminal record checks. The revenue generation is directly related to the demand for background checks, and the department is depending on the amount of receipts that are carried forward from the prior year.

It is important to note that this fund source change is only a one-time solution since a similar prior year carry forward will not be available in FY2005.